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50th ANNIVERSARY NCDXC. The Northern Calif. DX Club (NCDXC) is currently celebrating the 50th anniversary of the club. The W6TI club station has been active since Oct. 10, 1996, and as part of the celebration, they will operate for 1 year with various club members in the pilot seat. DX stations who work 50 NCDXC club members qualify for a nice certificate. If you work the club station W6TI/50 you get credit for 10 QSO's. Information about the 50th celebration and a list of NCDXC members may be found at the WEB site:
<http://www.aa6g.org/ncdxc.html> W6TI/50 has been active and has worked 135 countries and also the VK0IR on 20,40, and 80m. Picture of the Certificate and QSL may be found at the WEB site.

8P9, BARBADOS. Steve, K2WE, will be operating for 1 week starting **February 4th**. Steve will pick up an 8P9 callsign upon his arrival on the island. He will operate 160-10 meters including the WARC bands on both SSB and CW. QSL via home call or previous callsign NI2C. Also, look for AA4NC and Steve, K4MA, to operate from the 8P9Z's station on Barbados from **February 27th through March 4th**. Activity will be on all bands and all modes including RTTY. They will operate Multi/Single in the **ARRL DX SSB Contest**. The callsign is unknown at this time. All QSLs go to K4MA (ex-KI4HN).

8Q7, MALDIVES. The "DX News Sheet" reports Hans/DL8NBE, Rolf/HB9DIF, and his wife Manuele, hope to be active in March as **8Q7BE** (SSB/RTTY) and **8Q7BV** (CW) on all HF bands with two transceivers and GP, dipoles and LW antennas. QSL to home calls bureau only.

ARGENTINA ANTARCTICA BASE. LU1ZI, from the scientific station **Jubany**, which is located on **De Mayo Island** (King George Island) in the South Shetland group, is operated by LU8DEK, Abel. ABEL will be active until March 1st. He normally can be found on 40 meters CW some nights. Check between 0230 and 0330z. The direct QSL route is: Radioestacion LU1ZI, Direccion Nacional Del Antartico, Cerrito 1248, Buenos Aires, Argentina. It is recommended to send 2-3 IRCs with a SAE.

CY9AA, ST. PAULS ISLAND (UPDATE). Although the **CY9AA** operation is still months away, Mike, VE9AA, has provided the following details. There has been a new operator added

to the DXpedition. Operators are: VE9AA/Mike/ Group Leader, VE1PZ/Doug and K7BV/Dennis. The dates will be June 13-21st, maximizing the chances for a CY9 QSO on the higher bands via Sporadic E. Bands will be 160-2 meters inclusive. Beams, amps, and a FULL SIZE vertical for 160 meters will be used. Check out their WEB-site at:
<http://www.uksmg.org/index3.htm> (Look for the CY9 logo on the left)

CY0, SABLE ISLAND. It has been reported that Wayne, VE1CBK, will be active from Sable Island signing **CY0SAB**. He will be on Sable from **January 27th until January 31st**. Wayne will be on the island for commercial reasons, and HAM radio activity will be during off hours. He expects be active early morning and afternoon/evening hours (1200z and after 2000z). He has no specific frequencies other than the "usual" DX locations. Wayne plans to concentrate on the lower bands (160, 80, 40 and 20.) Otherwise, if propagation permits, 17 through 10 meters is possible. He is currently assembling RTTY equipment, and it is likely he will be active on that mode. Additionally, he will try to be active for as many RS-12 satellite passes as possible. QSLs go to Wayne E King, 63 Brook St, Lake Fletcher, NS, B2T 1A5 Canada.

DX FROM THE NETHERLAND..... During **PACC Contest** activity, look for stations with special prefixes **PA6V** in province **ZH** (QSL via PI4KGL) and **PA6W** in province **GD** (QSL via PA0JR). Their activity will be on all bands (except WARC) during the **PACC Contest weekend February 8-9th.....** Worked All Provinces (WAP) award (format A4, six colors) is available when all twelve provinces have been worked. If provinces were worked during the 1997 PACC Contest, please send log-extract and 10 US greenstamps to: VRZA Award Manager, PE1EBJ Ad de Bok, P.O. Box 56, 5320 AB HEDEL, The Netherlands.

GI, RATHLIN ISLAND (Northern Ireland). The WestNet DX Group will be active this summer from this Irish Island with has an IOTA of **EU-122**, The dates of their operation are **June 12th to June 16th**. The callsign to be used will be **GI/EI7NET**. Operations will be on all HF bands 160-10 meters. It is also hoped that operation on 6 meters will take place. Modes of operations will be CW,SSB and RTTY. QSLs will be via EI6FR. NOTE: All direct cards for EJ7NET EU007 1996 have been answered. QSLs for all stations appearing in the EJ7NET log have been prepared and will be answered via the bureau this month.

FRC 70th ANNIVERSAY AWARD. If you were fortunate to work any of the members of the Frankford Radio Club during the contest over the past weekend, you may qualify for a special full color certificate for their 70th anniversary celebration. Please check out the full story and get a list of FRC members at the following URL:

<http://www.frc-contest.org/70th.html>

Requirements are:

US/NA Stations need 70 QSO's with FRC stations DX stations need 35 QSO's with FRC stations

Submit log info ONLY to K2FL (CBA) for automatic issuance of certificate. QSOs with their DXpeditions also count for the award. The following are some of the DXpeditions which took place 1997: V26B, PJ9E, V47KP, VP5T, VB9DH, VP9DX, P40W and WP2Z (CQWW Phone 97 only). For FRC roster via USPS, please send query along with SASE to: Frankford Radio Club, P.O. Box 431, Alburtis, Pa. 18011-0431

KG4, GUANTANAMO BAY. Larry, **KG4ML**, is expecting to be on-base **February 11-27th**, and hopes the work sked will allow operation in the **ARRL DX CW Contest February 15-16th**. Other bands/modes will be operated as work allows, but expect to see him on the WARC bands. To date, KG4ML has worked about 6500 QSOs in 5 trips to KG4 land.

OH0, ALAND ISLAND. From **January 31st through February 2nd**, OH1NX, OH1NYP, OH1TX and OH2BH (returning from his XX9TR operation this past weekend) will activate **OH0NYP** on 160 meters. The variety of other callsigns may be heard on the higher bands. The 160 meters station will transmit 1825 kHz, especially focusing on the JA and U.S. openings. Also, members of the Contest Club Finland will be working **CQ 160 Meter Contest** as **OH0AM** from **Aland Islands**. They are especially looking for the USA and Japan with their new antenna. Operators are OH1EH, OH1MDR, OH6EI and OH6YF. Outside the contest, Harry, OH6YF, will be looking for the WARC band QSOs as **OH0MYF**.

TN, CONGO. Baldur, DJ6SI, is now active as **TN6X**, and will be active **until February 4th**. He will be active on all bands 160-10 meters SSB and CW. QSL to his home call DJ6SI.

UE0LWA, SPECIAL EVENT STATION (FAR EAST OF RUSSIA). Station **UE0LWA** is now active on the air to celeberate the 70th anniversary of the Russian supply to defence Sport-Technical Organization - <>rosto<>. Operations will last **until February 3rd**. The station is located in the port city of **Vladivostok** (CQ zone 19). Operations will be on CW/SSB with activity on 160-20 meters and VHF. QSL via RZ0LWA or bureau.

USI ALERT (United States Island Award). Dennis, N9WDQ, plans to activate **Chouteau** and **Gabaret Islands** (new) and maybe **Walkers Island** on **January 28th**, starting around 1600/1700z. Check on 14.260 + - QRM. Note: The islands are listed in the directory as IL-003 and 002 but have not been activated to date. When activated, the numbers will contain the "R" designator. QSL direct w/SASE or Dennis can be eQSL'd (see eQSL list at the USI website)!

V31, BELIZE. There will once again be a SMC expedition to Belize for the **ARRL DX CW contest**. John/WC0W/**V31TP**, Alan/NS0B/**V31EV** and possibly Bob/WG9L/**V31RC** will be going to Belize for a week, which includes the ARRL DX CW Contest. They will try to be on the air by mid-late afternoon local time on **February 12th**, and be active **until February 18th**. They will be a Multi/Single entry in the contest and will do as much operating as time permits, both CW and SSB, but mainly CW, before and after the contest. Look for activity as V31TP in the contest and with any/all of the individual call signs outside the contest. Activity will be limited to 160/80/40/20/15/10 with NO WARC band operation likely. QSL via the appropriate call as indicated above.

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS. Steve, N9CK, will be active from **February 4-11th**, as **VP5/N9CK**. Activity will be mainly CW and RTTY. He will active during the **WPX RTTY contest** using the callsign **VP5CK**. QSL to N9CK (ex N9CKC) good in any callbook or via bureau.

VK0IR HEARD ISLAND UPDATE. As of January 25th (0903z), statistics show the following: Total QSOs: 71,184 QSOs with 24,871 different stations.

CW: 39,798 SAT: 490 15m: 8,457 30m: 6,568 A160m: 1,237

SSB:	29,768	10m:	228	17m:	8,575	40m:	13,866
RTTY:	1,618	12m:	747	20m:	26,751	80m:	4,265

LATE MINUTE UPDATE! VK0IR breaks a record! As of Saturday afternoon, VK0IR broke 4J1FS's QSO count of 74,495 with a current total of over 80,000 QSOs.

ZY0 ST. PETER & PAUL ROCKS (UPDATE). Karl/PS7MM and Tino/PT7AA, plan on leaving Brazil via a fishing boat on February 1st for a 4 and 1/2 day voyage to the Rocks. They should be active around **February 5th**. Activity will be on all the usual DX frequencies. Karl will attempt to knock down the 8th most needed country on the RTTY list. A special thanks goes to Randy Hollier, WX5L, for his efforts in supplying the team with a RTTY station to use. Karl will also use a propagation program to help utilize the existing conditions. Karl will operate as **ZY0SK** on SSB/RTTY and Tino will operate as **ZY0SG** on CW. QSL to each op's CBA address.

SPECIAL NOTE FROM THE EDITOR. Please send all DX announcements/information "ONLY" to the addresses below and "NOT" to the distribution InterNet address of:
dxinfo@barf80.nshore.org

OPDX INTERNET SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUEST: opdx-request@nshore.org
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME (provided by John, K8YSE):
<http://www.en.com/users/k8yse/opdx.html>

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